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IN APPLICATION OF)
MICHAEL HAPP ET AL)
SERIAL NO.: TO BE ASSIGNED)
FILED: HEREWITH)
TITLE: IODINE RESINS)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows.

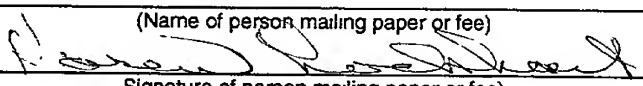
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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--In the process for producing the monodisperse gel-form strongly basic ion exchangers according to co-pending patent application U.S. Serial No. 09/434,337, filed November 4, 1999 (counterpart of EP-A 1,000,660), in addition, inhibitors can be added or the components to produce the seed polymer can be microencapsulated. According to Example 2(a) of co-pending patent application U.S. Serial No. 09/434,337 the seed polymer is prepared as follows:--

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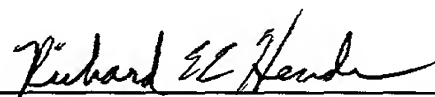
REMARKS

Applicants hereby offer a preliminary amendment to the present application to place the application in better form for allowance.

More particularly, Applicants have amended the specification to indicate that U.S. application Serial No. 09/434,337 and EP-A 1,000,660, both of which are disclosed in the present specification, are counterparts. Applicants submit that this amendment serves only to clarify their application without altering the scope of their disclosure.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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ANNOTATED VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

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